

State of Michigan
State Board of Education

RESOLUTION

MICHIGAN SAFE SCHOOLS WEEK OCTOBER 19-25, 2003

WHEREAS, the goal of Michigan Safe Schools Week is to motivate key educators, law enforcement, and other emergency responders to work with students, parents, and community leaders to vigorously promote school safety; and

WHEREAS, the objectives of this campaign are to encourage schools to use the safety pledge as a tool for school violence prevention, support student leadership in planning and implementing safe school programs, identify promising components of local school safety programs, exercise their school safety plans, and conduct school security surveys; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan State Board of Education recognizes the Michigan Safe Schools Initiative Workgroup at Michigan State University as the statewide coordinating organization for Michigan Safe Schools Week, October 19-25, 2003; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan State Board of Education has adopted substantive policies regarding Safe Schools, with the goal of perpetuating safe school environments, conducive to learning for all students; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan State Board of Education encourages each Michigan school district to promote, coordinate, and participate in a statewide "Safe Schools Pledge" signing ceremony; and

WHEREAS, schools across Michigan will be participating in a statewide "Safe Schools Pledge" signing ceremony on Monday, October 20, 2003, at 11:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan State Board of Education recognizes the importance of community involvement and participation in promoting and maintaining a safe learning environment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education recognizes that every week is Safe Schools Week in Michigan schools; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education declares October 19-25, 2003 as a time set aside for special recognition of Michigan Safe Schools Week; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education encourages educators, emergency responders, students, parents, and community leaders to promote school safety by implementing a "Safe Schools Pledge" signing ceremony in their school.



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Kathleen N. Straus, President

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